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# NPS Foundation News

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## President's Circle members explore Washington, D.C. during 2010 Retreat

This May, 50 President's Circle members ventured on a retreat with the NPS Foundation to Washington, D.C. to take part in a three day program to meet and interact with our nation's premier military and intelligence leaders as well as an international government official.

The NPS Foundation trustees had a special program on Monday morning, which included a Board of Trustees meeting as well as a visit to Capitol Hill (pictured below).

Monday evening kicked off the general program with a dinner and reception at the City Club of Washington

with the now outgoing Director of National Intelligence, ADM Dennis Blair, USN (Ret.) who discussed the challenges he has faced trying to unite the sharing of information between different intelligence agencies.

Tuesday was an action packed day as ADM Gary Roughead, USN; Chief of Naval Operations, spoke to the group and gave an intriguing perspective on the changing global role of the U.S. Navy.

After breakfast, the group traveled to the CIA Headquarters at Langley. At the CIA, the group was briefed by CIA officials who

gave an overview of their role in the intelligence community as well as insight on the incorrect intelligence that led the CIA to believe that Iraq had weapons of mass destruction.

After the CIA, the group went to lunch at the Army-Navy Club where a panel of three NPS Alumni answered the group's questions and offered personal statements on the benefit of their NPS education. All of the alumni offered an intriguing perspective on how they have advanced in their careers because of

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***NPS Foundation Trustees took a tour to the U.S. Capitol Building with Rep. David Drier (R-CA) following Monday's Board of Trustees Meeting***

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## A Message from our President

Bill Warner



The Washington D.C. retreat was a wonderful event again this year. Thanks to all who made the trip. For those that could not make it, I encourage you to speak with anyone who did, and I think you will want to attend in May, 2012. This is a unique opportunity to meet with our military and intelligence leadership. As we heard, the threats to our national security are significant and ever-changing. Our ability to adapt and innovate are central in our ability to protect the interests of the United States and those of our allies. Many of the talks highlighted the importance of the Naval Postgraduate School in producing the leaders of tomorrow, and in the relevant research projects being pursued at the school. As a Foundation, it is becoming increasingly clear that we need to increase our support for NPS. Over the coming months, we will be working closely with the Administration to determine the highest priority areas where private support will make a difference for national security. This will be the start of a larger campaign effort entitled: Our Freedom, Our Future, the Campaign for National Security Leadership. I look forward to your active participation in this important project - so we can help the University achieve the highest level of excellence.

## A Message from our Executive Director

RADM Merrill Ruck, USN (Ret.)

This summer, the NPS Foundation will launch a new student membership program to better reach the ever changing student population of the Naval Postgraduate School. In the past, about 30 percent of the students at any given time are members of the NPS Foundation. This new program, which offers a basic student membership to all students at no charge, should help us increase our outreach to students and in turn receive greater participation at the student level. This program will begin June 1st. More details will be available on our website and in our next eNewsletter in June.



## This year's America's Heroes Charity Golf Tournament is selling out fast!

We have had such a great response from consistent supporters as well as new corporate partners that we expect the golf slots for this year's America's Heroes Charity Golf Tournament to be 100% filled by early June. With such great response we know that this year's tournament, which benefits several wounded-in-action charities and the NPS Foundation, will be better than ever this year. To learn more about this year's tournament visit the America's Heroes website at [www.npsfoundation.org/americas\\_heroes](http://www.npsfoundation.org/americas_heroes).

## Dr. Irwin Mark Jacobs, Co-Founder of Qualcomm to speak at June graduation

Spring quarter graduation will be held June 18th in the King Hall Auditorium at the Naval Postgraduate School at 10:00 am. The guest of honor for the event will be Dr. Irwin Mark Jacobs, Co-Founder, Chairman Emeritus, and Former President/CEO of Qualcomm. Dr. Jacobs served as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Qualcomm from July 1985 to March 2009 and as Chief Executive Officer of the Company from July 1985 to June 2005. Dr. Jacobs received a B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering from Cornell University and M.S. and Sc.D. degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

If you would like to attend the spring graduation ceremony, please contact the NPS Foundation at [foundation@nps.edu](mailto:foundation@nps.edu) or (831) 656-2339.



## Winter Graduation Awards— March 2010

NPS Foundation Winter Graduation Awards Ceremony was held on March 16, 2010 and honored top graduates and NPS Faculty for outstanding achievements in the classroom and in research out of the classroom. The awards that were funded through private NPS Foundation donations that were presented are as follows:



### Air Force NSA Award— MAJ Matthew Van Hook, USAF

- Awarded to the top National Security Affairs Student from the US Air Force

### Hans Jones Award— Maj Charles Readinger, USMC

- Awarded to the student with the best thesis in the Defense Analysis department

### David Liskin SIGS Award— Maj David Lopez, USAF (Pictured left)

- Awarded to the most outstanding student in International Studies

### International Student Award— MAJ Jung Soo Kim, Air Force, Republic of Korea

- Awarded to the top international student

### Williams Faculty Award— Dr. Christopher Bellavita

- Awarded to the top professor of International Studies

### Hamming Interdisciplinary Faculty Award— Prof. James Clay Moltz

- Awarded to the faculty member who shows interdisciplinary achievement



## President's Circle Retreat Wrap Up (Continued from Page 1)

NPS and the knowledge they gained through their degrees.

The next location that the group visited was the Embassy of Pakistan where the group was lucky enough to meet Ambassador Husain Haqqani. Ambassador Haqqani had an insightful, and sometimes comedic approach to describe the history of Pakistan and U.S. relations over the years. Through his thoughtful analogies and rhetoric, he introduced our group to the Pakistani mindset of the two countries relationship that many had never considered.

Dinner that evening took our group to the Cosmos Club of Washington, D.C. for dinner with special guest ADM Mike Mullen, USN; Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. ADM Mullen spoke on the significance of expanding Wounded Warrior programs, merging the military and local communities through common ideals, and importance of education in the modern military.

The retreat wrapped up with breakfast the following morning featuring a NPS faculty panel who showcased current research efforts at NPS. Dr. Gerry Brown of the Operations Research department is very involved in critical defense infrastructure research and showed the group an interesting example on what would happen if specific bridges in San Francisco were attacked. Associate Professor Simson Garfinkel of the Computer Science department also spoke at this event and discussed his current cyber security research.

To learn more about the NPS Foundation President's Circle and how to get involved in future President's Circle events, please visit our website at:

[www.npsfoundation.org/presidents\\_circle](http://www.npsfoundation.org/presidents_circle). You can also view additional photos from the retreat on our website as well as in the Photo Spotlight on page seven.

## NPS Running Club completes successful fundraiser for wounded-in-action charities



On April 19, 2010, Seven members of the NPS Running Club took on the challenge of running the nation's most prestigious, competitive marathon; the Boston Marathon. Although this is an accomplishment in itself, these service members took on the challenge of fundraising for those wounded in action in addition to their physical training for the race.

The NPS Foundation collected contributions on behalf of the NPS Running Club for this fundraiser. At the fundraiser's end, the club was able to make a donation to two wounded in action charities, Sentinels of Freedom and Injured Marine Semper Fi Fund. Over a one month period, the runners were able to fundraise \$2,345 total, providing each organization with \$1,172.50. Great job runners!





## NPS Foundation spends an action-packed day at Lemoore Naval Air Station

On March 25, 2010, the NPS Foundation took a day trip to Lemoore, California to visit Lemoore Naval Air Station and CAPT Dave Silkey, USN who is the Prospective Deputy Air Wing Commander for Carrier Air Wing Two, stationed at NAS Lemoore. CAPT Silkey

treated the NPS Foundation guests to an exhilarating day of learning and observation of the action packed world of Naval aviation. NPS Foundation guests got up close and personal with actual F-18 jets, watched live carrier landing practice, received briefs on the U.S. Naval aviation role in Afghanistan and other modern carrier aviation issues. The group also witnessed a moving homecoming celebration where two squadrons returned from six month deployments abroad.

The NPS Foundation would like to offer our greatest appreciation to CAPT Silkey for planning and executing such a special event.



## NPS Rifle and Pistol Team takes top honors at military competition

The Naval Postgraduate School Rifle/Pistol Team won first place in rifle and second in pistol at the Fleet Forces Command West and All-Navy Pistol and Rifle matches held April 24, 2010 to May 6, 2010 at Camp Pendleton in San Diego. The NPS Rifle/Pistol team receives annual operating support from the NPS Foundation through the student activities fund.

Gordon Nakagawa, team coach and a retired U.S. Naval aviator led the group to this great finish. Team members included: MSgt Joachim Beer, USA (Ret.); MAJ David Hollis, USA; MAJ Paul Grant, USA; Gy Sgt Youssef Carpenter, USMC (Ret.); Capt Dan Hinkson, USMC; CDR Jon Van Sylke, USN; LCDR Ilia Ermoshkin, USN; LT Norm Overfield, USN; LT

Brian Sneed, USN; Maj. Robert Harder, USAF (Team Captain); Capt Doug Kisby, USAF; and LTJG Efstathios Mintzias of the Hellenic Navy.





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# Retreat Photo Spotlight



ADM Gary Roughead, USN;  
Chief of Naval Operations,  
speaks to the NPS  
Foundation group at the Ritz  
Carlton Pentagon City.

NPS Alumni, LCDR Brian  
Silva, LtCol Brian Zacherl  
and Mr. John Paczkowski  
spoke to the group at the  
Army Navy Club over  
lunch.



ADM Mike Mullen, USN;  
Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of  
Staff, was the guest of honor at  
one of the President's Circle  
Retreat dinners and posed with  
the active duty military  
members in attendance.

Ambassador Husain Haqqani, the Pakistan  
Ambassador the United States, had an  
intriguing perspective on Pakistan/U.S.  
relations over the years.







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### NPSF Calendar of Events

June 8— Graduation Awards Ceremony  
June 18— Spring Graduation  
July (Date TBD) - Summer Quarter Kick Off Party  
August 10— America's Heroes Charity Golf Tournament, Monterey Peninsula Country Club, Pebble Beach  
December 4— Grand Winter Ball, Herrmann Hall, McNitt Ball Room, NPS

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